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For: α - and β -Amino Acid Hydroxyethylamino Sulfonamides Useful As
Retroviral Protease Inhibitors

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

The Honorable Assistant
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Before examining the subject continuation application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the beginning of the specification after **RELATED APPLICATION** as follows:

(1) Please insert after "This application" at the beginning of the text, the following phrase
--is a continuation of Serial No. 08/294,468 filed August 24, 1994, which--
PFT-NO. 5, 968, 942,

(2) Please insert on line 9, of page 1, after "PCT/US93/07814," /and Serial No.
08/110,911(now U.S. Patent 5,843,946) both,--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-7 and 9-20 and add new dependent claims 21-35 as follows:.

21. A compound of claim 1 wherein P¹ is heterocycloxy carbonyl.--

--22. A compound of claim 21 wherein P² is hydrogen.--

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